



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 6.4
Soil moisture supplies: 4% very short, 14% short, 79% adequate and 3% surplus

Field Crops Report
Scattered rainfall fell across parts of the state. Corn planting continued to increase to 94% complete, 14% above the 5-year-average. Rice producers have planted 50% of the rice, 11% above the 5-year-average. Sorghum producers had completed 25% of planting, 12% above the 5-year average. Soybean producers had completed 2% of planting, 25% above the 5-year average. Sugarcane producers continued to off-barr sugarcane. Winter wheat headed continued to lag far behind the 5-year average.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops
Vegetable producers continued planting and working crops. Strawberry producers continued spraying and harvesting strawberries.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report
Cattlemen worked cattle. Pastures continued to improve with the warmer weather.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2009	5 YR AVG
Land Preparation	Spring plowing	73	56	73	63
Corn	Planted	94	80	81	80
	Emerged	40	N/A	48	43
Rice	Planted	50	34	39	39
Sorghum	Planted	25	6	3	13
Soybeans	Planted	2	1	0	0
Winter Wheat	Headed	4	1	62	49

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Sugarcane	8	21	53	17	1
Winter Wheat	0	3	42	54	1
Livestock	4	15	47	33	1
Vegetables	5	13	40	36	6
Pasture	5	14	48	29	4



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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 03/29/10 TO 04/04/10

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	NORM
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	83	39	63	60	0.00	1.76	9.20	14.30
Minden	82	36	62	60	0.02	2.28	11.23	15.61
Mooringsport	84	40	63	MM	0.05	2.58	11.07	13.20
Extreme/Average	84	36	62	61	0.02	2.21	10.50	14.62
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	81	38	62	61	0.40	1.73	9.57	16.96
Homer/Hill Farm	82	(33)	61	59	0.10	2.18	12.89	15.89
ULM-Monroe	82	41	64	61	0.45	1.37	9.77	17.73
Columbia Lock	82	41	63	MM	0.50	1.60	8.73	18.03
Extreme/Average	82	33	63	61	0.45	1.57	9.36	16.84
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	78	43	61	60	0.55	1.76	9.09	18.15
LSU-St Joseph	82	41	65	62	0.27	1.84	15.11	18.31
LSU-Winnsboro	MM	MM	MM	61	0.28	1.54	9.14	17.51
Tallulah	81	42	65	61	0.18	2.35	11.07	18.16
Extreme/Average	82	41	63	62	0.41	1.80	12.10	17.97
4. West-Central								
Leesville	85	37	65	62	0.15	1.57	11.25	16.23
LSU-Rosepine	MM	MM	MM	62	0.17	1.59	12.39	16.13
Natchitoches	83	44	67	62	0.28	1.26	10.64	16.05
Extreme/Average	85	37	66	62	0.22	1.42	11.25	16.00
5. Central								
Alexandria	78	40	60	63	0.15	1.09	12.83	17.42
Brusly	MM	MM	MM	63	M.MM	M.MM	MM.MM	17.67
Bunkie	84	42	64	63	0.00	1.13	15.60	17.85
LSU-Alexandria	83	42	64	62	0.08	0.90	13.92	16.76
Extreme/Average	84	40	62	64	0.08	1.04	14.12	17.35
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	76	39	62	MM	0.22	1.02	13.94	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	81	41	63	63	0.27	0.88	10.69	16.59
Amite	80	38	63	63	0.24	1.90	13.70	19.38
LSU-Hammond	77	38	61	63	0.23	0.93	10.47	18.59
Slidell	74	42	62	64	0.12	2.74	15.43	18.06
Extreme/Average	81	38	62	64	0.22	1.49	12.85	18.38
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	84	41	65	63	0.00	1.59	14.77	16.79
Jennings	84	44	64	64	0.18	1.38	10.34	14.95
LSU-Crowley	(86)	44	65	64	0.07	0.89	8.76	15.35
Extreme/Average	86	41	65	65	0.08	1.29	11.29	14.99
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	79	42	62	64	0.13	1.06	12.23	16.36
LSU-Jeanerette	82	43	64	64	0.06	0.61	9.97	14.49
Morgan City	77	48	65	64	0.04	0.55	8.55	15.46
Extreme/Average	82	42	64	65	0.08	0.74	10.25	15.35
9. Southeast								
Galliano	78	44	63	65	0.00	3.10	15.85	16.60
Houma	78	43	63	66	0.00	1.24	11.80	15.58
Terrytown 3S	78	48	64	MM	0.00	1.80	13.08	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	64	M.MM	0.00	MM.MM	18.19
Extreme/Average	78	43	63	66	0.00	2.05	13.58	16.88
State Averages	86	33	63	63	0.17	1.50	11.89	16.55
M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through Apr								

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